

Table B-14a. Likelihood of taking additional college courses among 1999 and 2000 science and engineering master's degree recipients who have not taken college courses since their most recent degree, by major field of degree: April 2001

Major field of 1999-2000 S&E master's degree	Total number not taking college courses since most recent degree ¹	Likelihood will take additional college courses		
		Very likely	Somewhat likely	Very unlikely
All science and engineering fields.....	102,700	48,400	37,000	17,300
Total science.....	71,000	33,600	25,800	11,700
Computer and information sciences.....	18,400	7,900	7,300	3,300
Life and related sciences, total.....	9,100	5,000	2,800	1,400
Agricultural and food sciences.....	2,000	1,100	S	S
Biological sciences.....	5,600	3,000	1,700	S
Environmental life sciences including forestry sciences.....	1,500	S	S	S
Mathematical and related sciences.....	3,600	1,700	1,100	S
Physical and related sciences, total.....	4,400	2,300	1,500	S
Chemistry, except biochemistry.....	2,100	1,000	S	S
Earth sciences, geology, and oceanography.....	1,500	700	800	S
Physics and astronomy.....	800	S	S	S
Other physical sciences.....	S	S	S	S
Psychology.....	19,800	9,300	7,700	2,800
Social and related sciences, total.....	15,700	7,500	5,400	2,800
Economics.....	2,200	S	S	S
Political science and related sciences.....	5,400	2,300	2,300	S
Sociology and anthropology.....	2,400	1,300	S	S
Other social sciences.....	5,700	2,700	2,100	S
Total engineering.....	31,700	14,800	11,300	5,600
Aerospace and related engineering.....	700	300	400	S
Chemical engineering.....	1,100	700	S	S
Civil and architectural engineering.....	4,900	1,900	2,100	S
Electrical, electronic, computer and communications engineering.....	12,100	5,400	4,200	2,400
Industrial engineering.....	2,500	1,500	S	S
Mechanical engineering.....	3,900	2,100	1,300	S
Other engineering.....	6,500	3,000	2,400	1,200

¹ Most recent degree as of the survey reference period, April 2001.

KEY: S = Data with weighted values less than 100 or unweighted sample sizes less than 20 are suppressed for reasons of data reliability.

NOTES: Details may not add to totals because of rounding.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics, National Survey of Recent College Graduates, 2001